

Week Ending Friday, April 4, 2003

Memorandum on the Report to the Congress Regarding Conditions in Burma and U.S. Policy Toward Burma

March 28, 2003

Memorandum for the Secretary of State

Subject: Report to the Congress Regarding Conditions in Burma and U.S. Policy Toward Burma

Pursuant to the requirements set forth under the heading “Policy Toward Burma” in section 570(d) of the Fiscal Year 1997 Foreign Operations Appropriations Act, as contained in the Omnibus Consolidated Appropriations Act (Public Law 104–208), a report is required every 6 months following enactment concerning:

- (1) progress toward democratization in Burma;
- (2) progress on improving the quality of life of the Burmese people, including progress on market reforms, living standards, labor standards, use of forced labor in the tourism industry, and environmental quality; and
- (3) progress made in developing a comprehensive, multilateral strategy to bring democracy to and improve human rights practices and the quality of life in Burma, including the development of a dialogue between the State Peace and Development Council and democratic opposition groups in Burma.

You are hereby authorized and directed to transmit the attached report fulfilling these requirements to the appropriate committees of the Congress and to arrange for its publication in the *Federal Register*.

George W. Bush

NOTE: This item was not received in time for publication in the appropriate issue.

Memorandum on Security Assistance to East Timor

March 28, 2003

Presidential Determination No. 2003–19

Memorandum for the Secretary of State

Subject: Security Assistance to East Timor: Certification and Report Pursuant to Section 637(a)(2) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 2003 (Public Law 107–228)

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, including section 637(b)(2) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 2003, I hereby certify that East Timor has established an independent armed forces; and that the provision to East Timor of military assistance in the form of excess defense articles and international military education and training is in the national security interests of the United States, and will promote both human rights in East Timor and the professionalization of the armed forces of East Timor.

You are hereby authorized and directed to report this certification, accompanying memorandum of justification, and report on East Timor security assistance to the Congress, and to arrange for the publication of this memorandum in the *Federal Register*.

George W. Bush

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